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Industrial output in Slovakia was 22.8 percent higher in the third quarter 1950 than in the same period of 1949, with heavy industry showing a 23.9-percent rise. The following table shows the percentage rise in various fields of industry in this period.

<u>Field</u>	<u>3d Qu 1950</u> <u>Increase</u> <u>Over 3d Qu 1949</u> <u>(%)</u>
Brown coal	19.29
Sulfuric acid	32.2
Cement	23.5
Plywood	67.3
Linen fabrics	143.3
Butter	69.9

In the first 9 months of 1950 a total of 124,470 new workers were added to the Slovak labor force, including 54,650 women. This 9-month increase is greater by 23,000 than that of all 1949. Of this 1950 total, 30,000 workers went into industry.

In the first 9 months of 1950, 112.9 percent more food was sold on the free market than in the same period of 1949, and 47 percent more textiles were sold on the free and controlled markets. The reduction of prices on the free market saved consumers 736 million crowns.

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